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SUBJ: MAJOR PROJECT FOLLOW-UPS - MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS

REF: SEE BELOW

1. AIRPORT STUDY (BANGKOK 4255) - TAMS WILL BE PREPARING ITS HALF WAY POINT REPORT IN SEVERAL WEEKS. IT WILL RECOMMEND THAT THE ROYAL THAI AIR FORCE (RTAF) COMPLETELY MOVE ITS HEADQUARTERS FROM THE WEST SIDE TO THE EAST SIDE OF DON MUANG, SO THAT COMMERCIAL FACILITIES CAN BE EXPANDED ALONG THE WEST SIDE OF THE RUNWAYS. ALTHOUGH THERE WILL BE NO CHANGE IN THE RUNWAY LOCATIONS, TAMS ESTIMATES THAT EXPANDED PASSENGER AND CARGO AREAS WILL PERMIT THE CONTINUED USE OF DON MUANG FOR ANOTHER TWENTY YEARS.

2. MINBURI INDUSTRIAL ESTATE (BANGKOK 10049) - DE LEUW CATHER HAS BEEN INFORMALLY AWARDED THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISION. RTG OFFICIALS ARE TRAVELLING TO WASHINGTON THIS WEEK TO CONCLUDE FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE WORLD BANK.

3. DOMESTIC SATELLITE SYSTEM (76 BANGKOK A-280) - HUGHES
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AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES ARE IN BANGKOK THIS WEEK TO DISPLAY A WORKING MODEL OF AN EARTH TERMINAL LINKED TO HUGHES' INDONESIAN SATELLITE. ACCORDING TO F.L. JUDGE, RESIDENT MANAGER OF HUGHES' JAKARTA OFFICE, THE RTG IS DEFINITELY GOING AHEAD WITH THIS PROJECT TO SET UP 14 SMALL EARTH STATIONS THROUGHOUT THAILAND FOR USE WITH INDONESIA'S SATELLITE TO BRING TELEVISION TO REMOTE AREAS OF

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THE COUNTRY AS WELL AS PERMIT OTHER TYPES OF COMMUNICATIONS.

4. THE INLAND FISHERIES PROJECT (NO PRIOR REPORT) - FOLLOWING THE APPROVAL OF THE EEC GRANTING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR THIS PROJECT, THE ADB LAST MONTH FORWARDED THE NAMES AND QUALIFICATIONS OF SIX CONSULTING FIROS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF SISHERIES, MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE FOR CONSIDERATION. THESE FIRMS ARE:

OCEANIC INSTITUTE (U.S.)
INTERNATIONAL DISPLAY SYSTEMS (CANADA)
S.G.E.T INTERNATIONAL (FRANCE)
INTERNATIONAL AGRO-FISHERY SYSTEM (PHILIPPINES)
GOPA (WEST GERMANY)
FISHERY DEVELOPMENT LTD. (U.K.)

IT IS EXPECTED THAT ONE FIRM WILL BE PICKED WITHIN THE NEXT TWO MONTHS SO THAT THE PROJECT MAY PROCEED.

5. SUBURBAN BANGKOK MASS TRANSIT SYSTEM (BANGKOK 9449) - THE EXPRESS AND RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY OF THAILAND (ERTAT) IS IN THE PROCESS OF SELECTING TEN FIRMS FOR A SHORT LIST FROM THE SIYTY WHICH WERE ASKED TO SUBMIT LETTERS OF INTEREST BY MAY 6. THE SHORT LIST SHOULD BE READY WITHIN TWO MONTHS, WHEREUPON ERTAT WILL REQUEST PROPOSALS.
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